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SUBJECT: US REQUEST FOR POLLACK QUOTAS IN SOVIET ZONE

REF: (A) STATE 41699, (B) NEGROPHONTE-ZNAMENSKIY MEMCON
DATED FEBRUARY 16

1. ON MARCH 24 SCICOUNS ASKED DEPUTY MINISTER OF FISHER-
IES KAMENTSEV WHEN WE COULD EXPECT REPLY TO OUR REQUEST
FOR POLLACK QUOTAS (REF A). KAMENTSEV RESPONDED THAT
"WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS" SOVIETS WILL SEND AN INVIT-
ATION FOR AN OFFICIAL US DELEGATION TO COME TO MOSCOW TO
DISCUSS AN AGREEMENT ON CONDITIONS REGULATING US FISHING
IN SOVIET ZONE. HOWEVER, KAMENTSEV STRESSED THAT
HE COULD OFFICIALLY CONFIRM THAT SOVIETS WILL MAKE IT
POSSIBLE FOR US TO FISH IN SOVIET WATERS -- AS THEY ARE
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OBLIGED TO DO UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF THE US-USSR GOVERNING
INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES AGREEMENT (GIFA).

2. COMMENT: KAMENTSEV WAS NOT VERY DEFINITE ABOUT THE
FORM OF A POSSIBLE US-SOVIET AGREEMENT ON FISHING IN
THE SOVIET TWO HUNDRED MILE ZONE. HE NOTED THAT IT
MIGHT BE "SOMETHING LIKE" THE US-USSR GIFA. EMBASSY

BELIEVES IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF INITIATING DISCUSSIONS ON A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, RATHER THAN THROUGH THE VISIT OF AN OFFICIAL DELEGATION. KAMENTSEV ALSO NOTED THAT SOVIET RESPONSE HAD BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE THE MINISTRY OF FISHERIES DID NOT RECEIVE A COPY OF THE US NOTE (GIVEN TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ON DECEMBER 19) UNTIL FEBRUARY 3. IN THE FUTURE THE DEPT SHOULD CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING NOTES OR OTHER FORMAL COMMUNICATIONS ON FISHERIES MATTERS THROUGH EMBASSY MOSCOW AS WELL AS THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. SUCH AN APPROACH WOULD ALLOW US TO INCREASE OUR CONTACTS WITH THE SOVIETS ON FISHERIES MATTERS AND AS THE ABOVE EXAMPLE SHOWS, WOULD ALSO ENSURE MORE RAPID TRANSMISSION OF IMPORTANT MESSAGES TO THE MINISTRY OF FISHERIES IN MOSCOW. TOON UNQUOTE COOPER

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